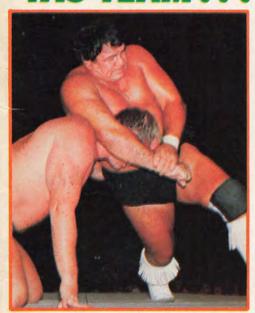
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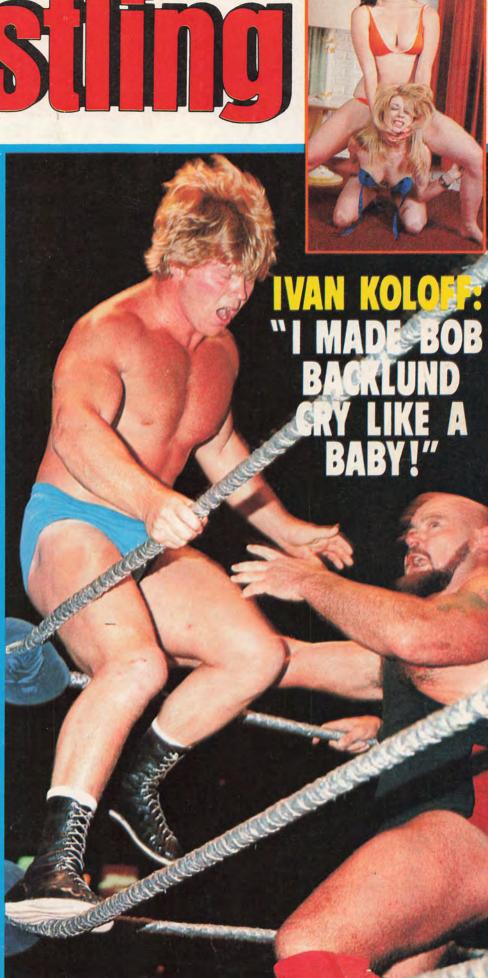
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WAHOO McDANIEL'S DREAM COMES TRUE





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 While keeping your you like to gross \$14 or

a true story

own business was so much easier than I had always thought... why the day to day guidance of a successful worldwide organization could assure my own success.

I read the booklet several times. It just seemed too good to be true. I talked it over with my wife. We decided that **now** was the time to make the forward step... there was no reason to keep postponing an income increase.

So, I applied for a Duraclean dealership and I was accepted. I stayed with my job...ran a few ads...sent some mailings...contacted a few stores and told my friends about the superior services I was now equipped to give them. Evenings and Saturdays, I rendered the service. As the business grew, I added servicemen.

I found that I didn't have to develop a single idea myself. Every step had been prepared for me and pre-tested. Hundreds of other men had already proven my methods successful.

It didn't take long to see that I was making three to four times (yes, 3 to 4 times) as much per hour in my own business as in my printing job. So, after only seven months with a good following of customers, I quit my job to go full time on my own. In the meantime, I had enjoyed all this extra income on top of my salary.

Each day, we realized what a serious mistake not mailing that coupon would have been ... and how that little act that seemed so trivial at the time actually changed our lives.

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The steadily growing income brought us many things we could not afford before. My efforts were so much more productive. I scheduled my time to my own liking. When we wanted a day or two off, we took it. I worked hard but, if I wanted to be home early or quit at noon, I did.

I became so enthusiastic about this business and so appreciative of what it had brought my family that, whenever a man opened a dealership near me, I helped him get a quick start.

The company learned about this and had each new dealer in my section of Michigan spend a day with me. One day the president of Duraclean Company asked me how I would like to move to Headquarters and spend my entire time helping dealers to increase their sales and profits.

That was good news to my ears. Since then I have worked with hundreds of our dealers in their own towns and at regional meetings, con-

Then one day I was reading a magazine just as you now are and I saw an ad. It intrigued me. It offered me the steadily growing income I had always hoped for. It said I would have greater security and personal independence...

and that's what I had been wanting.

I was a little skeptical, but I said to myself, "for a postage stamp I can find out." So I mailed the coupon. In a few days, I got a letter with a booklet that gave the whole story. It opened my eyes. I could see why owning my

step by step thriving business

present job, would \$21 profit per hour?

by Bob Ferrel

ventions and dealer group meetings.
Incidentally I sold my dealership at a good profit. If for any reason a dealer wants to sell, we maintain a service to locate buyers and help him sell.

Our job here at headquarters is to show each individual Duraclean dealer how to use his own abilities to bring him greatest success.

It's Easier than You Think To Build Your Own Business

If you've wanted to BE YOUR OWN BOSS ... to become financially independent and have a fast growing income, now YOU CAN. And you own a Nationally Advertised business.

You can stay at your present job while your customer list grows...then switch to full time, lining up jobs for your servicemen to do. One job a day brings a good starting income.

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tem of individually-owned service businesses. If you are reliable, honest and willing to work to become financially independent, we invite

you to mail the coupon.

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Start Small, Grow Big in this Booming Business

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Only \$1985 starts you in YOUR OWN business. A day's profit more than pays the monthly payments we finance for you.

It is surprisingly easy to learn this business. You can decide from the information we will send you whether to apply for a dealership. So, with no obligation whatever, mail the coupon TODAY.

Mail this coupon TODAY It may put you in business

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2-ERNIE LADD

3—DUSTY RHODES

4—SUPERSTAR GRAHAM

5-DINO BRAVO

6-VICTOR RIVERA

7—LUKE GRAHAM

8-IVAN PUTSKI

9-PETER MAIVIA

10-TONY GAREA

AMERICAN WRESTLING ASSOCIATION

Champion: NICK BOCKWINKLE

1-VERNE GAGNE

2—GREG GAGNE

3-RAY STEVENS

4-PAT PATTERSON

5-MIGHTY IGOR

6-BOB ORTON JR.

7-LARRY HENNIG

8-RUFUS R. JONES

9-SUPER DESTROYER II

10-LORD AL HAYS

MOST POPULAR

1-DUSTY RHODES

2-ANDRE THE GIANT

3-RICK STEAMBOAT

4-DINO BRAVO

5-BOB BACKLUND

6-WAHOO McDANIEL

7-JACK BRISCO

8-MR. WRESTLING II

9-BLACKJACK MULLIGAN

10-MIGHTY IGOR



ERNIE LADD



BILLY ROBINSON



JACK BRISCO



BOB BACKLUND

NATIONAL WRESTLING ALLIANCE

Champion: HARLEY RACE

1-DUSTY RHODES

2-JACK BRISCO

3-RIC FLAIR

4-RICK STEAMBOAT

5—KEN PATERA

6-WAHOO McDANIEL

7-ANGELO MOSCA

8-DICK MURDOCH

9-DORY FUNK JR.

10-TULLY BLANCHARD

TAG TEAMS

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2-GREG GAGNE & JIM BRUNZELL

3—THE LUMBERJACKS

4—PAUL JONES & RICK STEAMBOAT

5-MR. SATO & MR. SAITO

6-MIKE GRAHAM & STEVE KEIRN

7-JACK & JERRY BRISCO

8-OLE ANDERSON & IVAN KOLOFF

9-RAY STEVENS & PAT PATTERSON

10-SUPERSTAR & LUKE GRAHAM

MOST HATED

1-STAN HANSEN

2-RIC FLAIR

3—KEN PATERA

4-ABDULLAH THE BUTCHER

5—THE SHEIK

6-IVAN KOLOFF

7—GREG VALENTINE

8-OLE ANDERSON

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THE SPOILER

MIAMI, FLA.—There can be no doubt about it anymore. The Spoiler is not playing with a full deck of cards. To put it more directly, the guy's a nut.

After losing his Southern states title to Wahoo McDaniel, Spoiler came running through the dressing room corridor like a berserk Mack truck. Upon reaching his dressing room, he ran inside and tried to put a clawhold on the cement wall. Naturally, the wall won, and Spoiler's hand became swollen and misshapen.

At this point, he threw all the reporters out of the room and slammed the door. Inside, behind the door, we could hear Spoiler

(Continued on page 46)

Never before in this history of wrestling journalism have so many respected reporters been involved in so important a venture. The best wrestling correspondents from all over the world have been enlisted to report on the news behind the news. Every wrestling fan must consider this the most important column he can read!

MAGIC WORDS TO COMMAND MIRACLES OF WEALTH, LOVE, AND HEALTH-IN MINUTES!

Here is staggering proof, based on actual reported miracles, that what has worked for thousands will absolutely work for you!

Yes, how would you like to say some magic words, and be showered with hundreds of dollars in as little as 45 minutes! Or use amazing healing words, and get rid of crippling ailments instantly! Do you realize that it is possible to instantly and secretly command others to do your bidding...punish evil doers...see behind closed doors...be anything and have anything your heart desires...with magic words so simple yet so powerful, they can only be described as miraculous!

Yes, soon miracles will be happening to you every day, with the amazing secret of PSYCHIC TELEMETRY! My name is Robert A. Ferguson. You may have seen me on TV. I have shown hundreds how to use this amazingly simple power to command instant miracles to happen in minutes!

Impossible? I have staggering proof that it's not only possible but absolutely true and that this MIRACLE POWER WILL ABSOLUTELY WORK FOR YOU-to change your life from poverty to riches, from poor health to radiant new health, to bring whatever you desire almost instantly! I'm not exaggerating when I say the sky's the limit!

POSITIVE PROOF THAT WHAT I SAY IS TRUE!

Right now I'm going to prove to you how easily PSYCHIC TELEMETRY works for you. Remember, I cannot profit by exaggeration. What I tell you has got to be true, and it costs you nothing to find out for yourself.

6 HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS IN 45 MINUTES! I have a report here from Mary D, who needed \$400 quickly. She had no idea where she could get the needed money. Her sister gave her a Psychic Telemetry Enchantment to say. In only 45 minutes, she received \$400 from an unexpected source!

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That's chickenfeed compared to the staggering results many others have achieved with these magic words! Dave E. had been unable to find a job, and had only 3 days left before having to pay a big bill. He didn't have a cent. In one session, I showed him how to use the Psychic Telemetry Prosperity Ritual. The next morning, he was all smiles, as he reported a sudden windfall of \$2,000—more than enough to pay the bill. A miracle? Of course! Yet lust a very average example of the power of these magic words!

Dave used the Prosperity Ritual at about 9:00 P.M. At 8:00 AM. the following morning, he got the money! As simple as that! LHAVE HUNDREDS OF CASES ON FILE, PROVING HOW EASILY MIRACLES HAPPEN with these magic words! Before give you the next case, let me say this; DO YOU NEED MONEY? Say the powerful words on page 377 With this secret. You can get any amount of money at any time you need it am telling you the sky's the limit on how much money you can ask for and receive quickly with this power! Proof?

HOW ASNES C. WON OVER \$500,000 WITH THE WORDS FOR WINNING CONTESTS!

Agnes C. was told about enchantments and spells, but insisted that she possessed no psychic powers and never had any psychic experiences. Here's what happened: she kept dreaming of a man in a flowing robe with dollar signs all over it, holding up 7 fingers, saying: "A dollar a day keeps powerty away!" She purchased a one-dollar lottery ticke.
"I simply tool to days later). I still early believe it, "he says." I'won over a half-million dollars." Agnes and her family are now enjoying their new lakefront home with jis private boathouse and dock. They have two expensive autos and all the other loxuries money can buy.

The point is: YOU CAN USE THE SAME SECRET! You'll find the very words she used on page 37 of my book, and it won't cost you a single cent to find out what they are, and how they'll work for you.

MAGIC WORDS FOR MIRACLE HEALING!

Before I tell you how YOU may achieve a MIRACLE HEAL-ING, let me tell you how a man was healed of arthritis in FIF-TEEN MINUTES! A friend of mine, Louic A., tried the power Ritual for Magnetic Healing on page 146 on his next-door neighbor. Ken, who was confined to a wheelchair with arthritis. In a matter of minutes, the crippled man was WALKING! "I haven't been able to walk for months," he said, "and you got me out of my wheelchair."

Since that day, Louie has been able to heal "incurable" diseases AND YOU CAN DO THE VERY SAME THING! This is just an average case. With this power, you can command healings like this on almost a daily basis. I'm telling you this power is FANTASTIC!

Look what you can do, with exact words I give you on page

139-140—

• Care alcers, nervous headache, and insomnia! Calm the nervest.

• Cure diseases of the liver and spleen—stop bleeding!

• Strengthen the eyes, control epilepsy and disorders of the stomach!

stomach!

Cure heart disease, increase circulation, and heal gout!

Heal burns, conditions of the nose, throat and sinus, treat hay fever and asthma!

and much more! With these words, you ask great rays of healing power to enfold you, pulsating within every nerve and cell of your body. Cleansing, soothing and healing! Whatever you are trying to heal, you know the job will be done.

MIRACLE CURES REPORTED!

MIRACLE CURES REPORTED!

Do you realize that it is possible to get rid of crippling ailments almost instantly with healing words? You can command that all sickness and disease be banished from your body! Here is a force so powerful that it almost defies description! It can heal a withered imbor return sight to the blind... raise the crippled from their beds! It has brought miracle cures to the suffering and the lame!

• KIDNEYS MIRACULOUSLY HEALED! Evelina's only hope was to find a suitable kidney donor. She was so weak, it took two people to almost carry her to the hospital for her frequent treatments. There seemed to be little hope for her. With this method, she says—

"My whole body began to tingle—it felt like little electric shocks were playing games at the small of my back... suddenly ... I knew I was healed! I leapt from my bed and ran into the living room screaming, I'm HEALED, I'm HEALED! Our house was relied with tears of joy that night.

Today she is so healthy, she can hike and even climb mountains! It happens all the time with PSYCHIC TELEMETRY:

• HOW HARVEY C.'s ASTHMA WAS CURED! Harvey C. suffered asthma all his life. He could never run more than a few steps, without gasping for breath. Doctors were unable to cure it. I was so positive Harvey's asthma could be cured, I merely had him say the words bn page 139-140. He never had another asthma attack! Now he can run and even play tennis!

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• HAROLD SAW HIS LUNG SPOT VANISH! Harold F. was shocked, when told he had a spot on his lung, and needed an immediate operation. His wife quickly used the amazing healing words on page 145. The day before the operation, when x-rays were taken, the doctor was baffled. "I don't know how to explain this," he said. "Your lungs are perfectly clear."

MAGIC FORCES THAT WORK MIRACLES

Once you call on them, powerful forces stand ready to fulfill your every command. You can be confident that they will work a miracle.

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electricity, it is simply a power given by nature to make life easier!

MAGIC WORDS GIVE YOU POWER OVER OTHERS:
Say the magic words on page 44 to make others do your bidding. With this Enchantment, you send forth mystic rays of power to impress those whom you command to bend to your will at all times. It makes other people like putly in your hands! No one can resist you! Let me show you how easily this happens!

To use this power is simplicity itself! Say the magic words—then just sit back and relax. Within seconds, minutes at most, you will have a willing, obedient slave!

You can stand next to a person and place a thought in his or her mind. When others are asleep, you are free to speak directly to their subconscious mind. Your voice is remembered upon awakening. People obey your commands. It's fantastic!

MAGIC WORDS THAT BRING YOU LOVE! Say the magic

MAGIC WORDS THAT BRING YOU LOVE! Say the magic words on page 47, to command and guide the perfect partner to you... to command him or her to be blind to your shortcomings, and fulfill your every need and your every desire!

MAGIC WORDS FOR SECRET KNOWLEDGE! The magic words on page 164 allow you to become an invisible traveler to anywhere in the world. You can listen to conversations and you can see what's going on, completely undetected. You will experience the ability to walk through walls and doors. Nothing can be kept secret from you—there is no longer such a thing as a locked door. You can enter any place at will. If you wish to know about



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others, you can secretly and invisibly watch their every move and hear their every word!

MAGIC WORDS PROTECT YOU FROM EVIL! Say the magic words on page 51, for attunement with the pure rays of power that come to you from the Great Cosmic Mind..., to affirm protection from every curse or evil influence... Say them to command divine protection, and that no evil will be able to penetrate your shield of power, and that those who would send you evil shall be powerless, and their evil shall return to them a hundredfold.

• MAGIC WORDS TO SEE INTO THE FUTURE! There is no need to blindly stumble into the future. When you say the magic words on page 62, your psychic eyes will open, and you will see actual visions of future events. Vision upon vision will flash brilliantly into your mind. If there is danger ahead, Cosmic Mind will flash you the warning so a possible catastrophe can be avoided. If there is tremendous goodness in the future, all will be revealed to you!

THE AMAZING SECRET OF COSMIC DUST!

On page 204, I tell you the amazing secret of Cosmic Dust: how to make it and USE it to bring good fortune, punish evil doers, and heal the skek! The 3 needed ingredients are easy and inexpensive to obtain. (You may already have them, in your kitchen or basement storage areas.) Put a level teaspoon of each in a bowl and mix well. Your Cosmic Dust is then ready to work amazing miracles for you!

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S OMETIMES A MAN'S individual achievement does as much to cleanse the sport as to further his own career. Such an extraordinary combination was put together by Wahoo McDaniel.

This soft-spoken gentleman defeated The Spoiler to win the Southern heavyweight title. To hold a major belt has long been a fervent dream of McDaniel's.

He realized it. And with the fulfillment of his dream, he also rid the sport of one of it's cruelest titlists.

Spoiler. A creature who slinks about in grey mystery. A descendent of some horrible mutation. As a young star he allegedly constructed a guillotine to execute animals.

Words have yet to be devised to accurately describe this. McDaniel didn't formulate new words. He didn't have to. His actions were graphic enough. And for those deeds, he has been named "Wrestler of the Month" by the editors of Sports Review Wrestling.

"This is icing on the cake," McDaniel said when informed of the decision. "I had hoped I'd get this award because—and I'm not just saying this—but all the wrestlers value this award. It's funny, but when a guy is named Wrestler of the Month, everyone is jealous."

The climb has been a difficult one for the talented Indian. Beset by an explosive temper, hampered by injuries, enflamed by rulebreaker racism, Wahoo McDaniel has had to claw and battle for every triumph in life.

"When you have to work hard for something, it makes you appreciate success that much more," McDaniel said.

"I've had to deal with a lot of barriers in my career. Many people said that a former football player wouldn't make it in professional wrestling, so I had to overcome that prejudice.

"Then I had to learn to control my temper. I'm the first to admit that my blood boils a little too quickly. It's not good. Rage is fine if controlled, but when it spills out the results can be suicide. So that was another obstacle.

"There've been annoying injuries, some serious, but that's athletics. If you're in sports you have to expect an injury.

"Probably the worst obstacle is the racial one. I don't want it to sound widespread, but guys like Race and Spoiler, bigots like that and their ratty rulebreaker colleagues, enjoy dumping bigoted stuff on me. It gets under my skin and I sometimes don't know how to handle it. Well, let me tell you a little story.

"It was after a really bloody match against Race in Florida. I came out of the locker room bandaged up. There was this guy, about twenty or so, in a wheelchair. He was right in front of me and looks up and says, "Wahoo, I know they insult you and call you names. But don't let it stop you. Take it from me."

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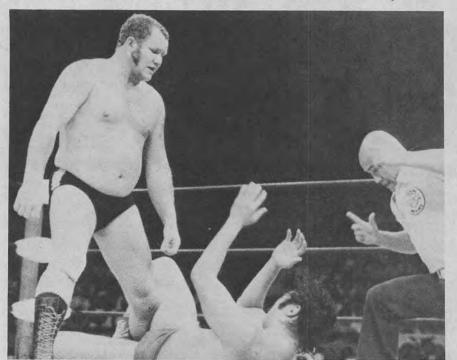
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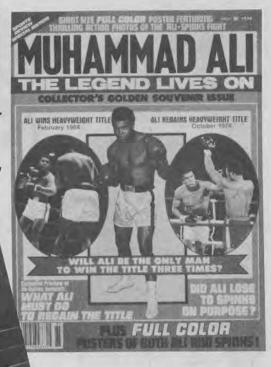
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"Why do you wear a mask?"

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MIL MASCARAS

"When I started my career, all of the top Mexican wrestlers wore masks. They were my idols. I wanted to wear a mask and be the greatest masked wrestler. It was a natural thing for me."



GOLDEN TERROR

"Another stupid question. Whose business is it whether I wear a mask or not? If I want to wear an oxygen tent, then I will and let's see if anyone is man enough to stop me."



UVALDE SLIM

"When I was a boy on my family's farm, this cow got loose. An ornery creature. Anyway, no one could get her back in. I decided to scare her and fashioned myself this gruesome mask. Got that cow back in. Why not use it on rulebreakers?"



MR. WRESTLING

"I'm the original Mr. Wrestling, which is why I wear the mask. I'm the original. It is my trademark. But I also wrestle without the mask. Just as long as everyone knows that Mr. Wrestling is Tim Woods."

RS ANSWER OF THE MONTH



MR. WRESTLING II

"I wanted a new career as someone else. The mask seemed an interesting way of going about things. It was a fine idea for me. My fans love it, and it is my way of repaying them."



SPOILER

"Sometimes I feel the mask gives me secret powers. The power to hate. And the urge to maim a scientific wrestler. Some lames hide behind their masks. Not me. I use it like another weapon."



DOS CARAS

"There is the proud tradition of mask wearing in my country. And my brother Mil wears a mask, and he has always been an inspiration to me. I am honored to wear a mask. I would not do anything to disgrace the honor."



DESTROYER

"Wearing a mask allows me to block out the view of the ugly fools sitting in the crowd. You know who I mean, the fans. This way my vision is fixed on the fat coward I'm wrestlin'. That's why I wear a mask. Any more questions?"



MASKED SUPERSTAR

"I wear it 'cause I'm too handsome and it would blow all those mindless boob fans out the door if they ever saw my gorgeous puss. Not like other guys, like slimy Mascaras, who wears a mask 'cause his face looks like shredded wheat."



ASSASSIN

"I want to keep my wrestling life and my private life separate. If anyone ever saw me without my mask, I'd never be permitted to wrestle again. That's why I must wear a mask. I have no choice."

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talking. I think it's only a matter of time before the entire wrestling world is avidly following this great chase.

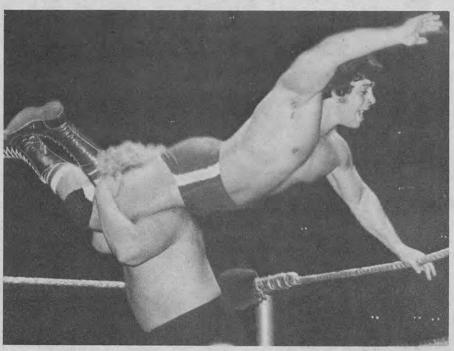
> SARAH EVANS New London, Conn.

GREAT NEW FEATURE

Your new feature, Inquiring Reporter, is really super. Fans have opinions and it's exciting to go to an arena with the possibility that one of your writers will select a fan to interview.

Managers get their opinions into the magazines. Wrestlers do and so do promoters. Why not fans? I'm not meaning to sound so excited, but I've supported wrestling for twenty years and I know what I'm





Many fans have written to us to praise Dino Bravo (above left) and his many fine matches against notorious rulebreakers like Lumberjack Eric (above right). We will follow Dino's pursuit of the unbeaten string record closely.

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I enjoyed the larger number of Dino Bravo stories that are appearing in your magazine. Ever since Bravo came to the WWWF, I knew he was going to be great. Even after he and Dominic DeNucci lost their tag team belts to the Lumberjacks, I knew that Dino would bounce back.

His pursuit of Lou Thesz's record has all my friends

talking about. Only your magazine has the foresight to come up with something like this.

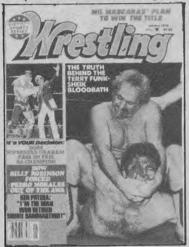
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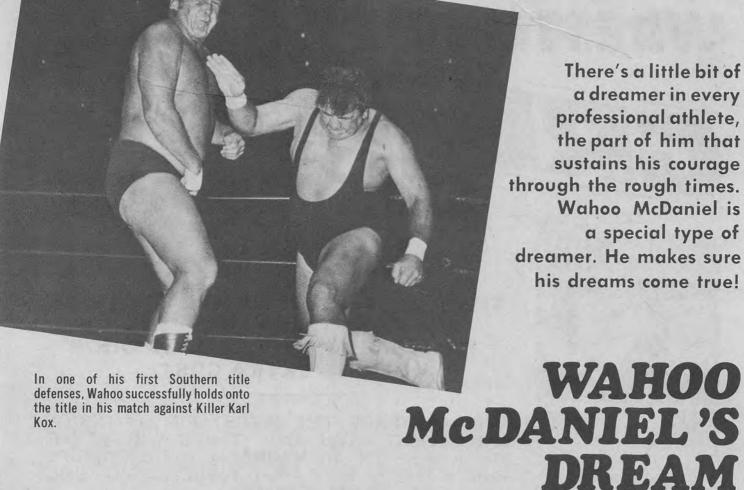
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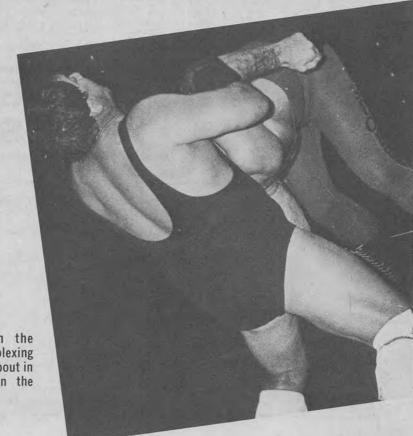
THE BELT RESTED in his lap. Wahoo McDaniel stroked the bejeweled straps, ran his fingers over the raised lettering which proved the realization of his dream.

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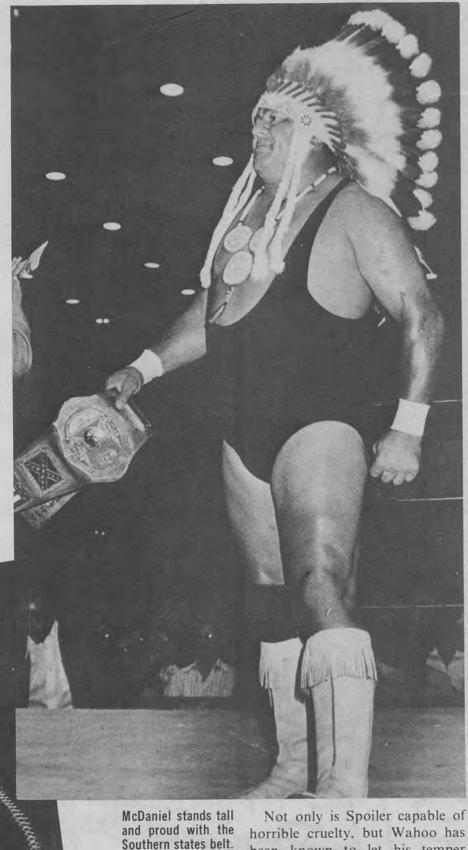
"I've wanted this belt for so long, wow, you don't know how badly I wanted this," McDaniel said. "There were times I thought I'd never get it.

"Even tonight, before the match, I felt good, but not super. There've been nights I've felt better. Goes to show you what that means. I won it anyway."

To fulfill the dream, McDaniel had to tear the title away from Spoiler. It was a difficult task.



Wahoo is in the middle of suplexing Spoiler in the bout in which he won the title.



PHOTOS BY PAUL BAUMAN

Not only is Spoiler capable of horrible cruelty, but Wahoo has been known to let his temper misdirect a strategy, sometimes, though not often, leading to a crushing defeat.

"I couldn't let him get to me. I had to grow an extra hide and stick to my battle plan," McDaniel said.

Spoiler's strategy seemed clear.

Besides using the vicious tactics he has fiendishly mastered, he would launch a barrage of racist remarks at Wahoo.

"It has gotten to me, guys putting down my people. Harley Race is famous for that crap and I knew Spoiler wouldn't be above it. He's not above much. But I was determined not to let it upset me. I wanted the belt. Damn, how I wanted that belt."

Gloriously for Wahoo, results equaled ambition. He defeated Spoiler.

"Once I was able to ignore that first flurry of racial remarks and several of his rulebreaker tactics, I knew I'd be in good shape.

"That was it, getting over the first hump. Now I'm champ. Oh, boy, does that sound good!"

Winning a belt hasn't catapulted Wahoo out of the cesspool of rulebreaker opponents. Killer Karl Kox was his first major test. It was an exam McDaniel passed with blood. His and Kox's.

"It's a lot different when you're champion, not that I'm complaining, mind you. Just people tend to get up a little more when you've got the belt.

"Like Kox. Now I've wrestled that, that, well, I don't know what you call Kox. Anyway, I've wrestled him and while it was rough, it wasn't anything like this.

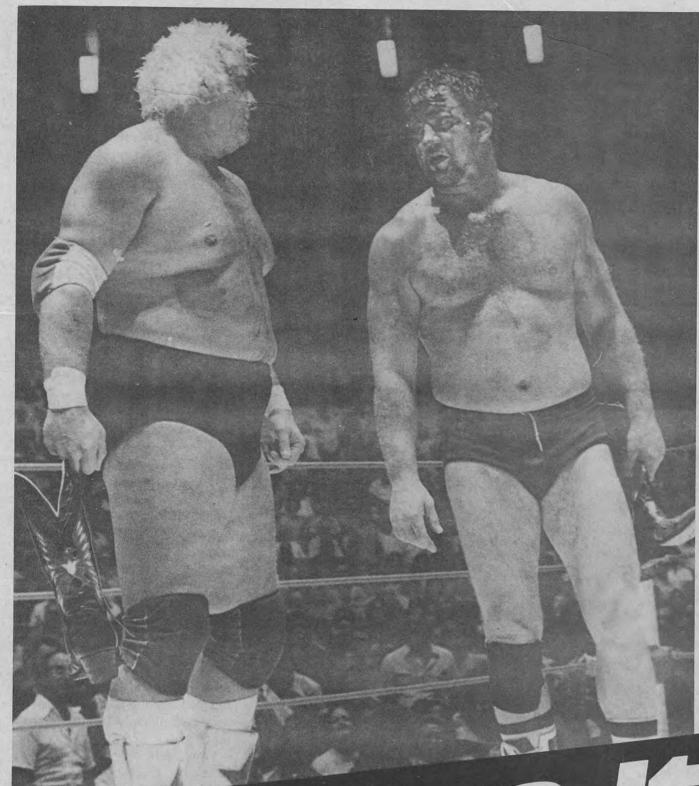
"You can see a little more intensity in someone's eyes when they're targeting your belt between their eyeballs. Kox was pumped up more than if I hadn't been champ.

"But the extra pressure is well worth it," Wahoo grinned. "Even facing a maniac like Kox."

Wahoo resists the lifestyle of an arrogant champion who uses the belt as some oppressive weapon. The adulation and power of a titleholder should be shared with his friends.

"Some champions just want to be champions and use it as a club to beat people over the head with. I want my dream to help others."

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Believe It DUSTY RHODES ARE T WAS A challenge Dusty Rhodes couldn't refuse, but it meant he would have to make one tough decision.

"I knew I needed a real mean partner, someone tough, not afraid to brawl, but basically a scientific wrestler. Now, friends, you all know who that dude happens to be.

"But I didn't think I could do it. Not after all the brawls we've had."

That "dude" was Terry Funk. The "challenge" was issued by the Spoilers, who dared Dusty to find a partner and wrestle them.

"They called me every bad name under the sun and I don't take kindly to names like that," Dusty said. "So I knew who I had to call on. And believe me, I was surprised at his response."

"I get this call one afternoon and the absolute last voice I expected on the other side of the line was Dusty Rhodes," Terry recalled laughingly. "Our bouts are famous for their violence.

"And I didn't think we were ever friends. I didn't think we

could ever wrestle as a team. But Dusty was kinda persuasive. Besides, I hate the Spoiler."

So out of necessity, wrestling's most impassioned

If you can count on one thing in wrestling, it's the sport's unpredictability. People who once said,"Dusty Rhodes and Terry Funk will form a tag team when Hell freezes over" are now planning to be buried in overcoats!

rivals forged a tag team.

"Of all the opponents I've ever faced, Terry Funk is the toughest, far and away the one guy who has pushed me to the brink on more than one occasion," Dusty has often said.

But could these two rivals work together? When Terry held the NWA belt, his fiercest challenger was Rhodes. Sure, their bouts were brutal, but wrestlers can have bouts without disliking their opponents. Not so with these two men.

"I hate that Rhodes," Funk said after one especially savage match.

"They oughta form a posse and take the belt from that worthless coward," Dusty had said.

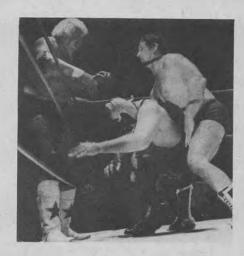
This match contained more than the usual interest for the wrestling community. It was a test of character. It would prove whether Dusty Rhodes and Terry Funk were larger than their mutual contempt.

A partnership between two men with a common dislike is a precarious relationship. Especialy when one brief hesitation could lead to disaster for a suddenly battered partner.

Two moments during the match illustrate the nature of Continued on following page

Their battle against the Spoilers now a thing of the past, Dusty Rhodes and Terry Funk share bloody glory. Will they team again or will they again battle as enemies?





Teamwork comes in handy (above) but the two don't fare too well (below) during the duration of the match.



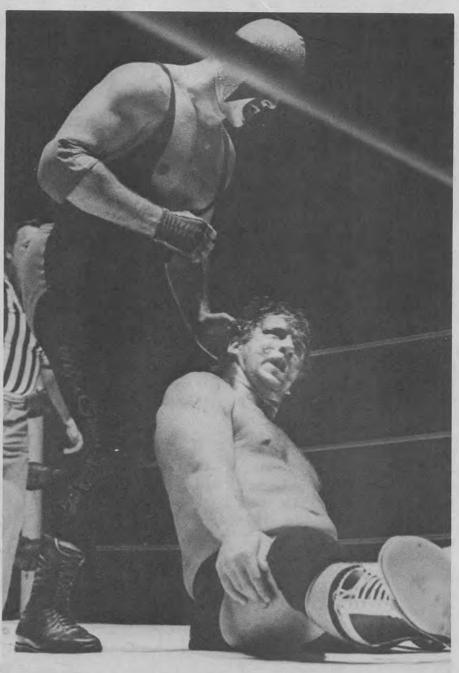
this unusual tag team.

Dusty was grappling with Spoiler II when Spoiler I leaped into the fracas. Dusty caught the attention of the referee and Spoiler was forced back out of the ring. But Dusty had suffered a beating. He needed rest. He reached his hand out to Terry.

Funk looked at it, paused then tagged Dusty and replaced him. "I didn't hesitate," Funk insisted later.

an exact replica of that incident, this time with Terry the victim of a Spoiler twin-mugging. And Terry reached out his hand for help. And Dusty deliberated. Finally, he helped his partner.

Their hesitance is explainable. They would not desert a



Funk is a bloody mess as Spoiler prepares to use his deadly clawhold on him. Moments after this photo was taken, Rhodes ran into the ring and got Terry out of trouble.

partner, essentially because that runs counter to their inherently decent nature.

But neither could they ignore And later in the match, almost the dislike aroused by the sight of their "partner." Thus, for this night, at least, they were willing to put aside differences for a common cause, the destruction of the Spoilers.

The tension remains and neither man will discount it.

"Rhodes isn't a bad partner,"

Terry said. "He's kinda slow and he hasn't really developed a killer maneuver. The bionic elbow isn't impressive."

"It's not easy being the guy to carry the team," Rhodes sneered. "He's not even close to being the wrestler he once was. and he wasn't much then."

The feeling persists that next time they occupy the same ring, it will be as opponents, not partners.

Billy Robinson and Pat Patterson are just about as different as two wrestlers can be. Yet, they share a common goal. One of them might make it. But he'll have to do it over the other's unconscious body!

PHOTOS BY ROGER DEEM

TWO ENEMIES.



SAME TARGET

T HEIR METHODS ARE very different, but the target is the same. Nick Bockwinkle's AWA title is all they really desire.

That is the tragedy. Neither Billy Robinson or Pat Patterson should have to wrestle each other. They should be beyond that. They should be free to attack Bockwinkle's belt with individual fervor, instead of receiving and

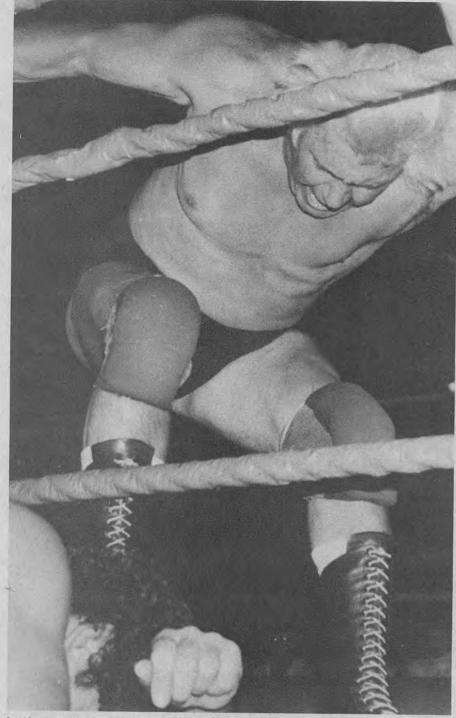
inflicting pain.

It is sad. However, that is a detached view. Both Robinson and Patterson regard each other with contempt. Though they would prefer to wrestle Bockwinkle, neither is about to refuse a match against the other.

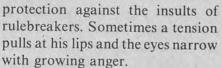
"I always considered that limey creep my enemy," Patterson said, a vicious edge to his gruff voice. "Some matches give you special pleasure because your opponent is some low-life squid. That's how I feel about wrestling Robinson.

"I think it's my patriotic duty to rid professional wrestling of foreign invaders. Guy doesn't even talk right. Lame." Patterson shook his head and walked away.

A tight smile and constrained shrug have always been Robinson's



Letting out all the anger and frustration he has built up, Pat Patterson stomps the head of Billy Robinson. Against Robinson, Patterson is ruthless and will stop at nothing to win.



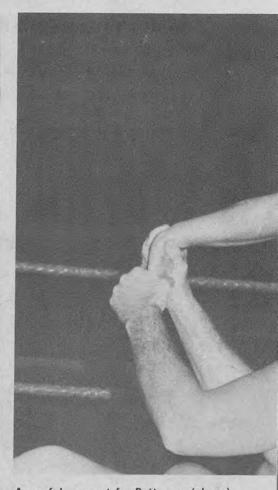
"After listening to prejudiced, hateful men like Pat Patterson, you develop something of an immunity and learn to dismiss them.

"Still, a sting is always there. No one likes to be called names. At

least if they came from someone with a mind or a heart, you could tolerate it. But to be insulted by some cactus plant like Pat Patterson is a bit too much.

"It makes wrestling him all the more enjoyable."

Good guy versus bad guy matches are generally savage. The brutality of this match was

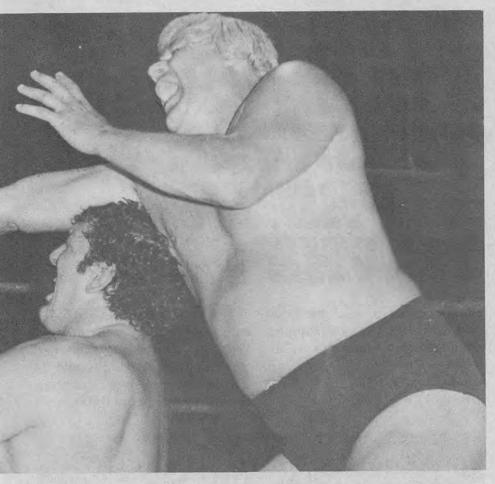


An awful moment for Patterson (above) as his hand becomes full of great pain. Billy goes flying (right) courtesy of Patterson. A chinlock stops Robinson (below).



amplified by their extreme hatred producing shocking cruelty by Patterson and vigorous scientific wrestling by Robinson.

"Notice the way he kinda dances around," Patterson said as he pantomimed a sauntering strut. "That's the way Robinson wrestles. Ain't natural. A wrestler is supposed to wrestle, not twist like





some God forsaken cobra."

"Growing up, I had my idols," Robinson said. "I knew that villains were part of the sport, as they are in our societies. But I was never aware how horrid they were and what blight they visited upon professional wrestling until I encountered that fiend Patterson."

But what does Robinson and

Patterson wrestling each other prove? Certainly it nourishes their insatiable hate. Yet hate is an insubstantial meal, momentarily satisfying. Their whirlpool of ambition requires a banquet of professional gluttony. The feast is Nick Bockwinkle under glass. And the glorious desert is the sweet-tasting AWA belt.



This is Nick Bockwinkle, champion of the AWA. It is because of this man that Patterson wrestled Robinson.

Title shots against Bockwinkle must be given to Robinson and Patterson. That is what they must have to be satisfied. With characteristic honesty, Robinson admits that.

"Once the initial irritance fades, Patterson is not exactly an obsession with me. Oh sure, right before the match, during and shortly afterwards I can think of nothing but his ugly face. But I know that as sweet as revenge may be, it has a sour foundation.

"Something like the AWA belt, ah, now there's something I can sink my teeth into and feel fine about. Patterson, you know, a worm is a worm is a worm."

Collecting torn pieces of human skin seems to be a hobby to Patterson, and this match with Robinson added to his vile collection.

"Whipping good guys is my job. Why wouldn't I want to smash his face? You nice coyotes can't realize how I can re-arrange his arteries and still chase Bockwinkle. Maybe the good guys can't understand 'cause their brains are too small for one thought at a time."

And what about Nick Bockwinkle? He wishes both these dogged contenders luck—in killing each other.

A LL STAN HANSEN had to do was pay the fine. Five thousand bucks. Surely Hansen could have raised five thousand dollars. He could have hocked a tattoo. Or read a story to a rich mute person. Five thousand dollars and all the treachery would have been avoided.

"I think Hansen was just waiting for an excuse so he could turn on his friends," snapped Mr. Wrestling II. "He'll never change. For him to do what he did to Tommy Rich was unforgivable. Let him try and sell that bill of goods again and give us garbage about him turning good guy. He'll get a pile of grits shoved up his nose."

What brought about this sordid tale was an unruly brawl between Hansen and a notorious rulebreaker. Their aroused tempers carried them beyond the pliable boundaries of wrestling, and for these transgressions were fined five thousand dollars. The rulebreaker paid the fine. Hansen refused.

"I didn't do nothin' wrong," the master of the Lariat hold fumed. "He started it and I'm being punished the same. Isn't right and I ain't gonna pay the bucks."

Initially, the announcement of the fine was accompanied by word that failure to pay the fine within 30 days would result in suspension from Georgia wrestling arenas.

Hansen was adamant and continued to wrestle as a good guy. Then the 30 days began dwindling. To 25 days. To 21 days. At that point, the drama took a sickening twist.

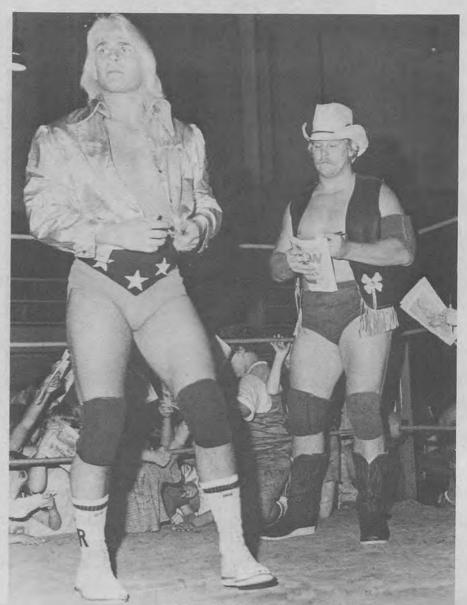
"I'm willing to pay his fine for him. All he gotta do is one little favor and we're even," Ole Anderson promised on television. "Just one little favor."

A little favor. Much in the

WHO FORCED STAN HANSEN TO BREAK HIS PROMISE TO THE FANS?

same manner in which the Devil asks for a little trinket called a soul before granting a wish. Hansen possessed enough sense to refuse this "generous" offer.

Then final notices were issued by the Georgia authorities. Within two weeks, the fine had to be paid or Hansen would be barred from the state. This stern declaration weakened Hansen's



The honeymoon between Stan Hansen and the fans is over. It's back to mutual hatred. Yet, it's about time the fans understood why Hansen broke his promise. The reason, and the man behind the reason, are sure to shock you!



Hansen and Tommy Rich team up (left) but Hansen will turn his back on Tommy soon. Mr. Wrestling II wrestles Hansen (above) a man the fans now hate again. Ole Anderson (right) is the man who changed Hansen.

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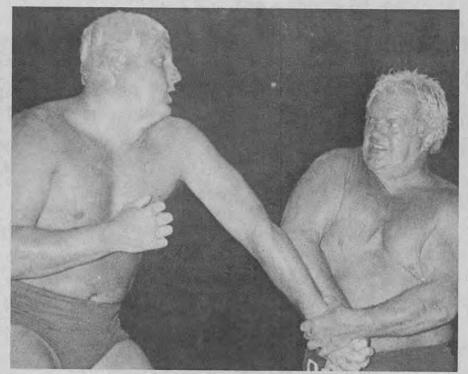
"I'm a good guy and I shouldn't be talking to Anderson. But it can't hurt to hear him out."

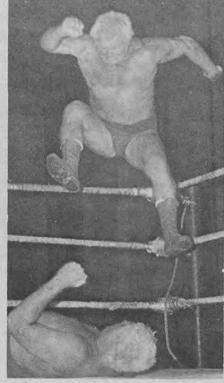


With the deadline only eight days away, Hansen found himself in a tag team match with partner Tommy Rich. The handsome youngster was suffering a fearful beating from two savage rulebreakers. He pleaded for Hansen's help.

The plea was cut short by Anderson. Ole handed Stan a wad of bills. Five thousand (Continued on page 54)

With a look of fierce determination on his face, Bruiser armlocks a very startled Dick Murdoch (below). Murdoch is prone on the canvas, soon to be another victim of Bruiser's kneedrop (right).





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THICK GREY SMOKE, the smell of stale beer, and peanut shells tossed through the air formed a raucous shawl about Bruiser's head. Impassioned howls, from the jukebox and his celebrating friends, cut through the air.

It was a party. Now, Bruiser and his comrades don't exactly need an excuse to toss a party. They have been known to toast the birthdays of hunchbacked Swedish princes.

But this noisy affair has a solid foundation. It honors a man the "experts" insisted would never win another major belt. It praises a man the "experts" contended was no longer a realistic challenger for the NWA title.

Guess who that man is? Give you a clue. He has just captured the Missouri State title from Dick Murdoch, traditionally a catapault for future NWA champions.

Give up?

"That's life, that's what all the

FROM DICK

people say," the jukebox capsulization. Many nicknames

blarred.

Bruiser flung a thick hand toward the record playing

machine.
"My man, Frank, he's singing my song," Bruiser cackled loudly. "They said Bruiser wouldn't do it. They made an

awful mistake.

"Bruiser is goin' to topple Harley Race," a loud roar erupted from the weaving semicircle in back of Bruiser's chair, "and send him back to hawkin' hogs, a good job for someone like Race."

"I'm gonna be champ. You can bet on it," agreed Bruiser.

Bruiser is one of those wrestlers who defies accurate

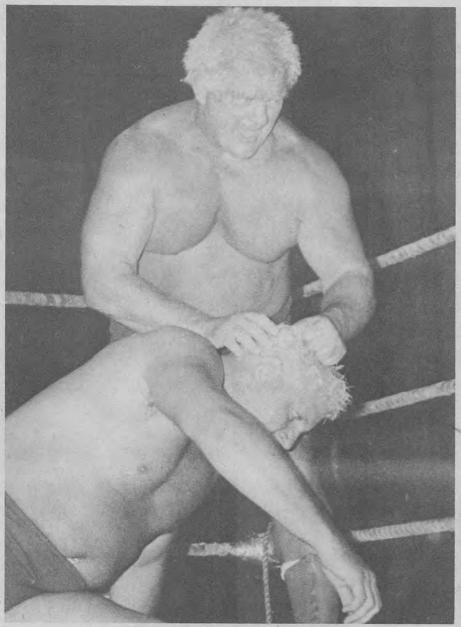
capsulization. Many nicknames have been coined for him, notably "One Man Riot Squad," a phrase which only hints of the man.

Take ratings, for example. Bruiser is famous for traveling up and down the ratings ladder.

"I never paid them much mind. Seemed just a fool excuse for a bunch of bored intellectuals. I got better things to do than bother with who's number two or three. Bunch of pansy college boys must make 'em up.

"I go out and do what I gotta do. So. What's the big deal. Writers ain't got nothin' better to do with their lives 'cept get their hands dirty with their For years, fans have thought of Bruiser as somehow apart from the struggle for NWA championships. Yet, he's now captured the Missouri state title, which is often the stepping stone to the NWA belt. What's next?





Above: Bruiser grabs a handful of Dick's hair before sending him hard to the canvas. Right: The battle rages outside the ring.

typewriters. You can bet that's the only time they ever dirty their white hands."

In and out of the ring, Bruiser's life has the smoothness of broken glass, Consistent with this rough lifestyle was the way he won the title.

Bam went Murdoch's head. Crash went Murdoch's arm. Roar went Bruiser's fans when he pummeled Murdoch about the forehead.

And then the final eruption of joy.



"The winner , . ." the announcement was drowned out by an hysterical bombardment of cheers.

It was the fans tribute to a great man.

"Sure it got to me, I ain't ashamed of admitting a little tug in my throat when my army stood and showed how much they loved me," Bruiser said.

"And I think I rewarded them



with my victory. They've been a patient bunch to suffer through all the crapola we've had to swallow over the years.

"Lousy upper-class snobs dumping on us 'cause we ain't got the King's manners and like an occasional beer or six and like to drive a pickup and talk on the CB.

"So me and mine have had to take a lot of guff from these creeps.

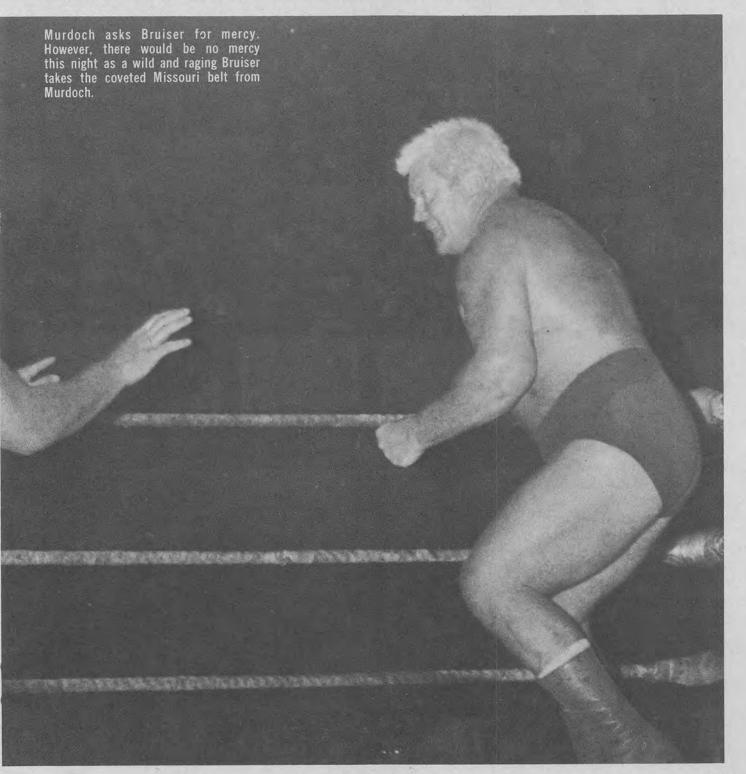
"If'n someone else had won the Missouri state title, everyone would be predicting he'd win Race's belt. Tradition, all that. But since Bruiser's won it, people ain't gonna move so quick. People might just talk about how it's time to change tradition

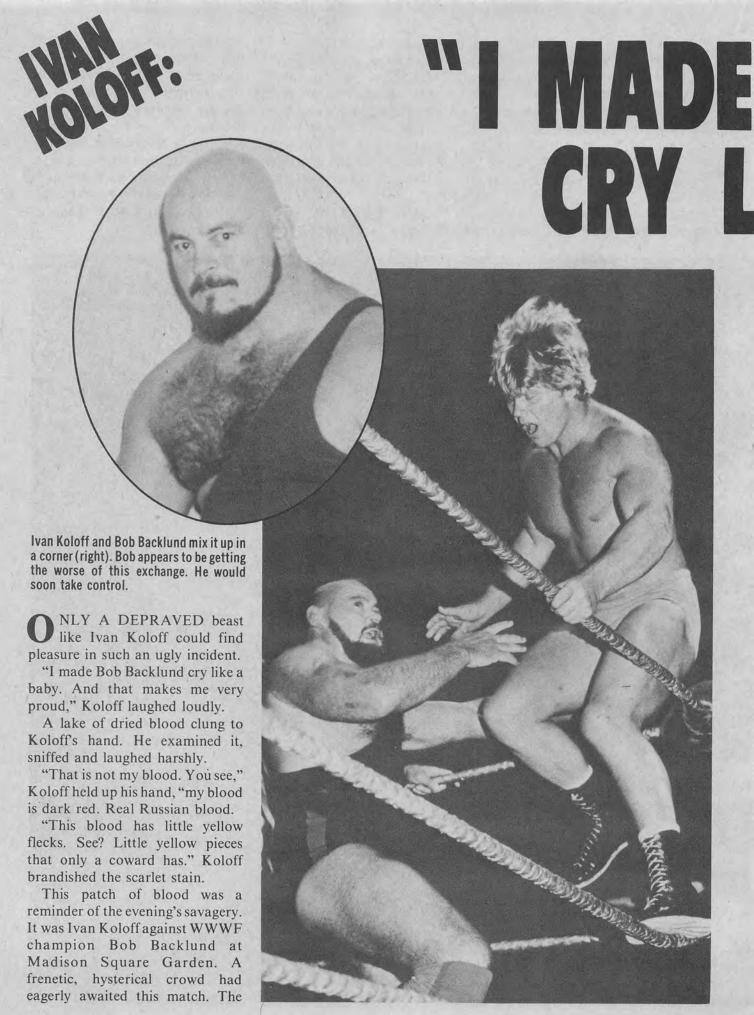
"That'd be a strange coincidence, huh? Ain't gonna

let it happen. I won this belt and now I'm gonna whistle right on down and find Harley Race and challenge him. And then Bruiser's gonna have himself a real party."

A table splintered into an ocean of spilled beer and cigar ashes, followed by a thud as the jukebox fell and a fist hit flesh.

Bruiser chuckled and sipped some beer.





BOB BACKLUND KE A BABY!"

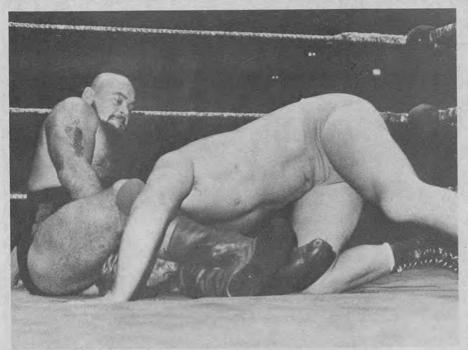
entire evening was a prelude to this meeting.

"I wanted this match for a long time and then I am deprived of the title by Backlund's cowardice," Koloff roared. "It was only through his whining efforts that the match was stopped. It should not have been stopped. I won. But I was cheated."

Certain "facts" which Koloff claims are true are nothing more than lies. Backlund never asked the referee to stop the match because



Above: Backlund's standing toehold has Koloff hurt. Below: Backlund tries to escape from Koloff's head scissors.



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of excessive bleeding. The reverse is true. Backlund begged the referee to let the match continue. But it was obvious that Backlund's physical condition was dreadful. Any competent official could see the champion couldn't continue.

"I should not be robbed because my opponent was not man enough to survive a beating. If he could not manage to stay on his feet, he should have given the belt up. I am champion now."

For nearly half an hour after the match, Backlund's dressing room was sealed. Finally the champion emerged, a slighly glazed look on the handsome face.

"I was bleeding, yes. But who wouldn't have bled after a night with that beast. Foreign objects from a foreign devil. He should have been disqualified."

Backlund's allegation is well taken. As soon as the match began, Koloff unleased a fiendishly illegal attack. He charged Backlund with a gleaming metal object, then tore his knee into Bob's groin.

"He should have been bounced right there," Backlund said.

Backlund reeled off the ropes, tottered momentarily, then regained his composure and entwined Koloff in an excruciating

Everyone knows Ivan Koloff is a bully. No one could guess, however, just how sadistic a human being could get until fans witnessed Koloff's match against Bob Backlund

hold.

"He dug his nails into my eyeballs. I thought I went blind," Koloff snorted derisively.

A textbook could have been written based on this match. Backlund demonstrated his characteristic poise and decency while adhering to the scientific style of wrestling. Koloff was typically brutish, typically vicious.

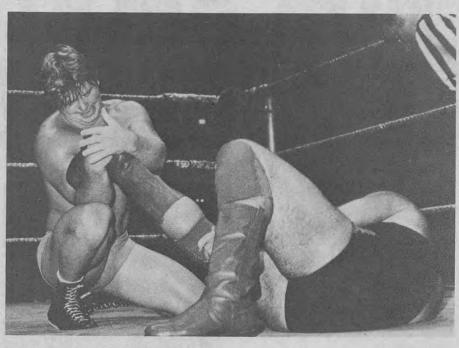
There was no real indication that the match would become bloody. Suddenly, it happened.

"I swear it was a knife that he dug into my head," Backlund insisted vehemently. "He should have been disqualified.

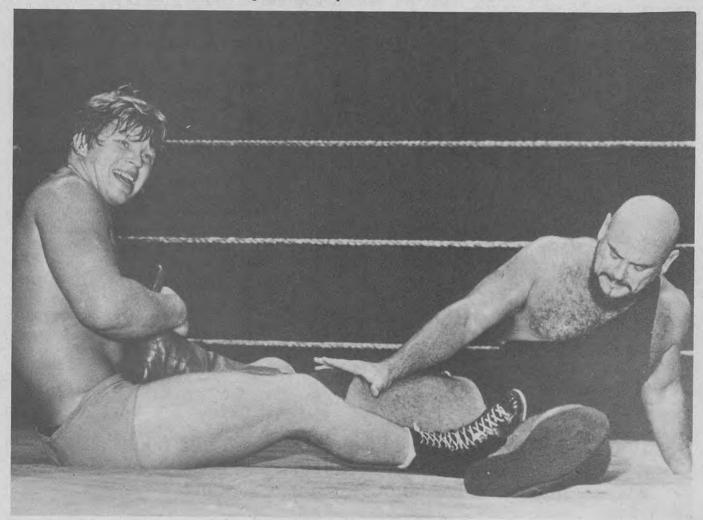
"Sure they had to stop the match 'cause I was bleeding heavily. But it wasn't as if I had been beaten fairly. Koloff doesn't know the meaning of that word.

"He used illegal tactics and he shouldn't have won the match. You see how well I handled him when

things were somewhat in control. As soon as he started with that dangerous stuff, well, I sure



Above: Backlund continues to apply pressure to the toehold. Bob was forced to break the hold when Koloff slid underneath the ropes. Below: Ivan is confused and in pain from a Backlund leg stretcher. Koloff's claim that he made Bob cry in fear was certainly not true. The WWWF king battled bravely.

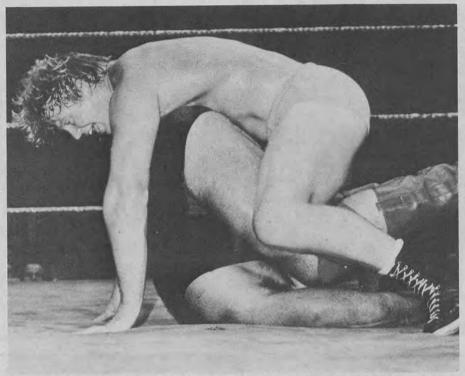


wouldn't stoop to his level.

"My fans expect more of me. And I expect more of myself."

WWWF rules are explicit on this matter. Should one wrestler become physically impaired, the match must end. In the event of a title match, the belt does not change hands.

Now some champions, notably Nick Bockwinkle, elude defeat by running out of the ring and getting themselves disqualified. There has been sentiment in recent years to



Early in the match, Backlund catches Koloff coming off the ropes and tries for a quick pin via the sunset cradle (above). Koloff kicked out before the referee could count "two."



Koloff appears to be stunned as Backlund prepares to armwhip the tough Russian challenger to the buckle (above). It was shortly after this when Koloff opened a serious wound on Bob's head with a foreign object.



A smiling WWWF champion enters the ring ready to battle Koloff (above). It would be his toughest title defense.

change this rule and stop tactics like that.

Bleeding profusely from the forehead is quite different. We're talking about blood now, not some coward leaping over the top rope. Backlund was hurt. He didn't run. He just couldn't continue the match.

"I saw Backlunds condition and knew he couldn't go on," said the referee. "This is a sport, not the Roman Coliseum. We don't want anyone dying out there. Things get brutal enough."

Boiling away the top layer of confusion reveals a thin layer, black, viscous. It is composed of Koloff's concept of what a wrestler should be. Fortunately for the sport, it is not shared by the authorities.

"A champion is a man willing to perish for his belt," Koloff claims. "A title is an honored thing and you should be carried out of the ring before you give it up.

"I do not wrestle for pleasure. Backlund was beaten. He did not act like a champion. I did. I won."

A TONGUE JUTS out, twists over the saliva-soaked lips, struggles to form a word, fails. The eyes roll, flutter, try to focus on an object, reach for a different area.

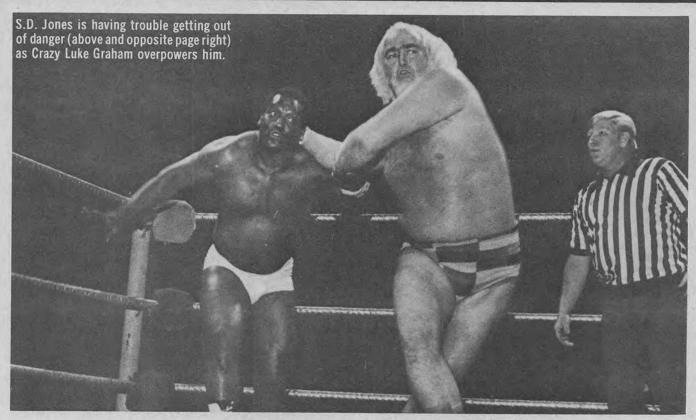
An avalanche of obscenities erupt from this mouth, then vanish, and a coherent statement is attempted. Without success.

This man can no longer control

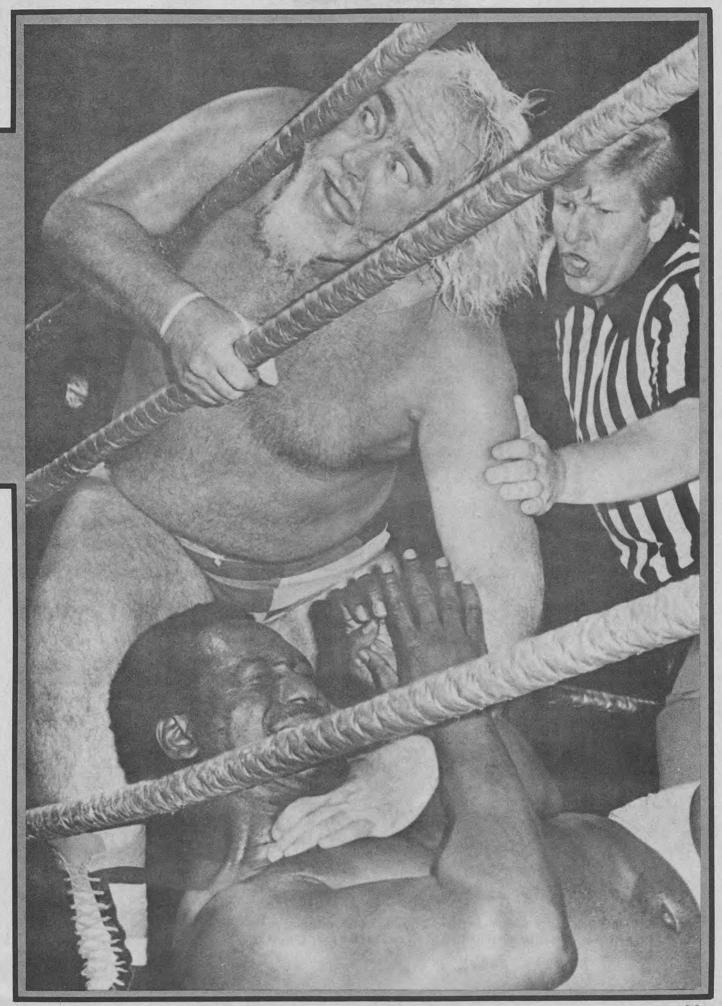
himself. He is barely aware of his opponent, barely aware of where he is.

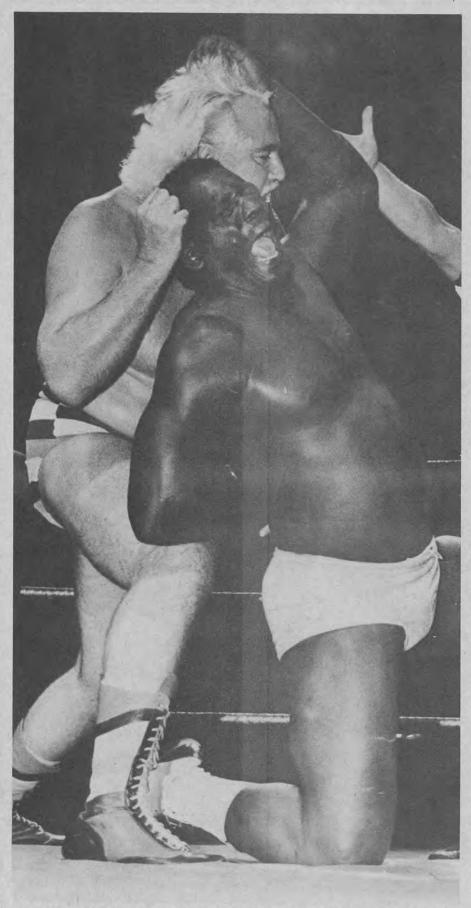
He is Luke Graham. He is losing his mind.

HOW CRAZY LUKE IS LOSING THE BIGGEST BATTLE OF HIS LIFE



Crazy Luke Graham may be really living up to his nickname! That thin line separating him from being a certified madman is in danger of being erased. And what happens to his opponents then?





A handful of Jones' hair comes in handy as the totally berserk Graham tries to make S.D. suffer as much as is humanly possible. Graham refuses to calm down in most of his recent matches.

For years, Graham's behavior was treated with virtual indifference. Wrestling people tolerated his explosions of madness, accepted his peculiar behavior as just that, peculiar.

But recently, Graham has crossed that thin line separating eccentricity from insanity. He is desperately fighting to stay sane.

He may be losing this battle.

"He's crazy, man," declared S.D. Jones after his match against Graham. "I've wrestled him before and he's acted badly, but never, ever like this. He's gone over the edge. He was mumbling something about other universes and how he is going there on his lunch break. He's out of it, man."

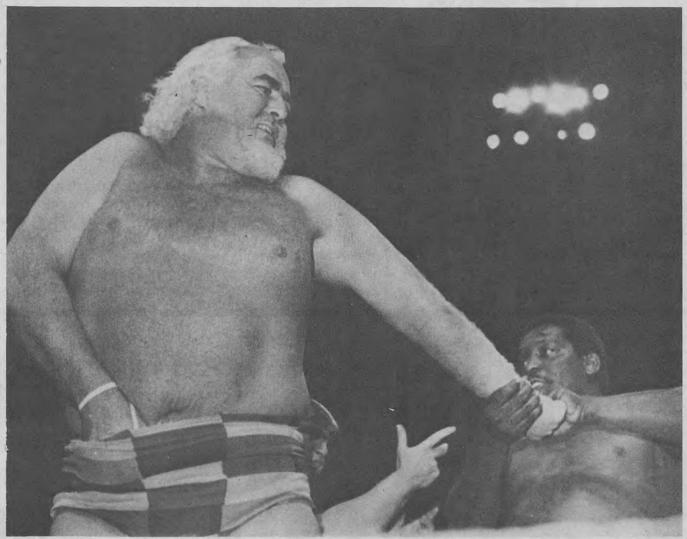
Promoters are frightened every time they book Graham. Opponents are terrified lest he lose this bare thread of control while in the same ring with them. And now an alarming fact has been illuminated by the wrestling world's concern.

Graham's last five matches have been attended by a team of psychiatrists hired by the Institute for Fairness in Wrestling. Their purpose is to study Graham as part of an overall psychological examination.

"We have not yet reached a final decision, but, it appears that Mr. Graham is a deeply disturbed individual," said one psychologist. "At this moment, we are not prepared to issue a finding which would, in effect, bar him from the sport. We want to observe him a little longer.

"But he has suffered a gradual deterioration of his mental faculties. He cannot reason anymore. He does not appear to know where he is or even what his name is. I am afraid that unless this situation is frozen and attempts made to reverse it, he may end up in a mental institution."

Graham's close friends angrily dismiss such conclusions. Superstar Graham becomes livid at



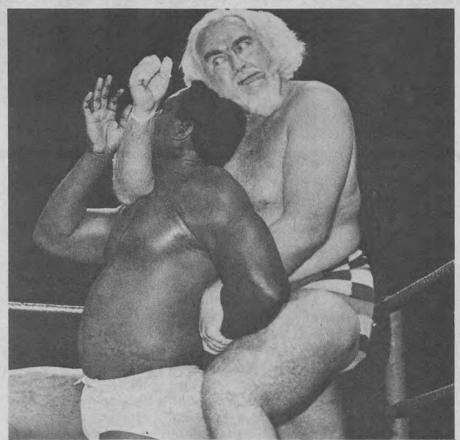
The referee and S.D. can't see it (above), but Luke is about to pull a foreign object from his trunks! Note the look on his face (below) Is he insane?

any suggestions that his brother is insane.

"Luke is more normal than anyone I ever met. That bunch of witch doctors trying to say otherwise should go back to shrinking heads."

Expected defenses by friends and family and detached, clinical observation by psychiatrists can only give a portion of the story. Graham is in real trouble. And, while he was never coherent, at least there were flashes of understanding dancing through the large eyes. But now . . .

"Huh? Who you say was?" Graham responded to a question. "Yeah, sure I am but when? Yeah, so there, right . . ." □



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Brian Farrell examined the

man's blood run hot and cold at the same time.

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Brian summoned each



CONFRONTATION WITH A KILLER!

represented. The one who would be chosen as the "Affair" girl would soon become famous throughout the world.

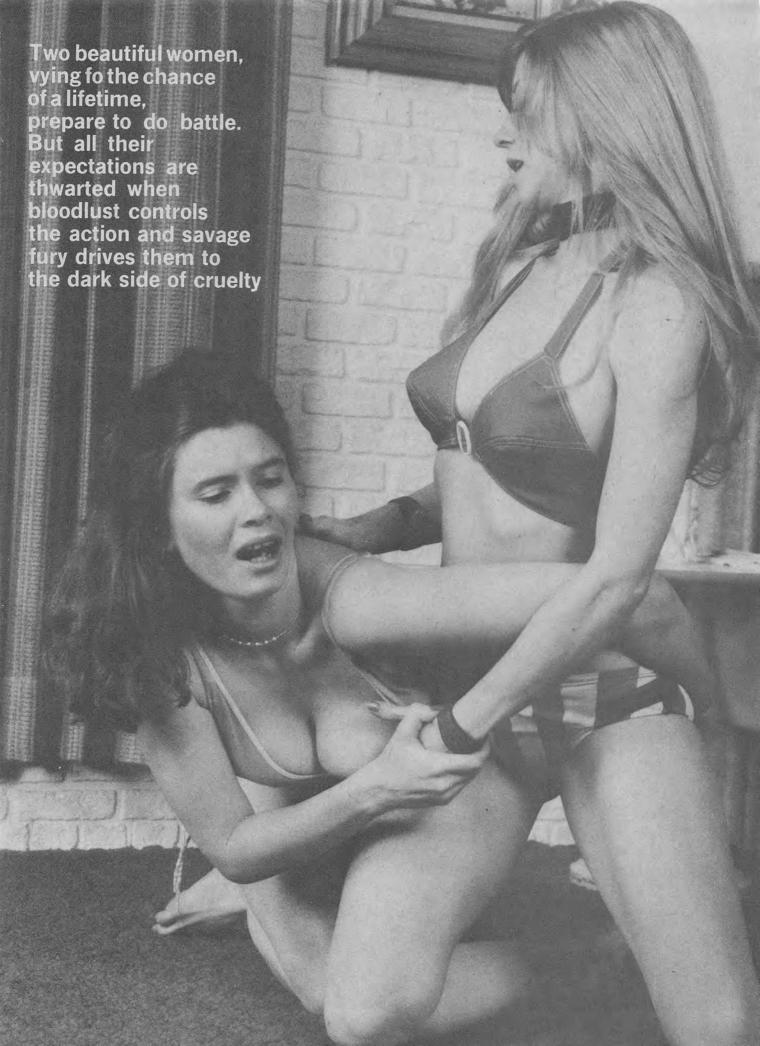
By next Christmas, "Affair" perfume should be among the most famous scents in the world. The ad campaign to announce its arrival will cost \$12 million in October, November, and December 1979 alone. The woman whose face will appear on posters, T-shirts, television commercials, and perhaps even on the bottle itself will become a millionairess

photos time and time again. There were two ways the ad campaign could go. The "Affair" girl could either be a cool blonde beauty, the epitome of glamour and sophistication. On the other hand, she could be a young suburban matron, the most beautiful girl-next-door in the world.

Each category had an unknown model that fit the bill. For his blonde, Brian chose Sheila. She stared into a camera as if barely tolerating its invasion of her privacy. She could make a

woman to his office. He asked to see their portfolios, trying to get some idea of their talents. Sheila would look perfect in a gown in front of the Plaza Hotel, as if going to some charity gala. The woman reeked of money, as if she was intimate in a world most people could only imagine. If she represented "Affair," it would quickly become the most *chic* scent in America.

Talking to Sheila was an experience Brian will never forget. She expected men to worship her. Spoiled by beauty,







Left: The lithesome Liana chokes her lovely blonde opponent. Below left: Sheila pulls Liana's legs apart, causing the brunette beauty great pain. Bottom: Liana rides her helpless foe early in the wild bout.

she assumed every request was a command. That another woman might possibly be considered for this job enraged her. It was unthinkable there was beauty equal to hers.

If Liana was the girl next door, it must have been one heck of a swinging neighborhood. Reckless in all areas, her portfolio showed a model who could be both wretched and spectacular. Choosing her would be a risk, for she couldn't control her talent. But if the risk paid off, Liana would become the world's most famous model. And Brian would be the man who discovered her. That would put both of them on easy street.

It used to be said that if you stand on New York's 42 Street long enough, sooner or later you'll meet everyone you've ever known. It can now be said if you attend apartment wrestling matches long enough, you'll meet everyone of a certain type vou've ever known. In an insular society, there are no coincidences; every combination is bound to occur sooner or later. Watching Sheila and Liana walk, their erotic grace borne from an elegant fury, Brian should have guessed the two women were apartment wrestlers. And they should have guessed he was a regular spectator. However, the shock of recognition on all three faces when they met at an apartment wrestling match showed that the trio were poor guessers indeed.

Brian almost dropped his drink when Sheila walked into the room, dressed in her bikini, (Continued on page 56)

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screaming at the top of his lungs, "I hate you, Wahoo; I'll kill you!"

No one has ever called Spoiler a nice guy. But even his biggest enemies didn't realize the guy is on the border of out and out insanity.

-Myron Roth

EMPHIS, TENN.—Tennessee wrestling can still be summed up in two words-Jerry Lawler. The King of the South has put on a few pounds and is more powerful than ever. In addition, he has worked out in a special program which has increased his speed and agility. Many people have tended to write Lawler off recently as a threat to the AWA throne. Jerry intends to make those so-called experts eat their words.

"Look, Randy," Lawler told me in an exclusive interview recently, "I know I've got the ability, guts and intelligence to be AWA champ. All I need is one more chance, one more shot at



JERRY LAWLER

Bockwinkle. He can't survive. I know I'll beat him."

When I contacted Nick Bockwinkle, asking him when he will wrestle Lawler again, he sneered, "When I feel he's a real contender. My sources tell me he's an overrated bum."

I then asked Nick who his alleged sources were. He called me a very unprintable name and hung up. Now you don't suppose the AWA champion is afraid of Jerry Lawler, do you?

-Randy Swift

EW YORK, N.Y.-Look who's back in town. None other than the "Bia Cat," Mr. Ernest Ladd. And he's looking for



ERNIE LADD

a title match with Bob Backlund, right?

Wrong!

"I want that Italian idiocy, that Neopolitan ninny, that Roman rump roast, Bruno Sammartino. Where is that fool? He hears the Cat is back, and he runs away to join a convent in Sicily." So said the irrepressible Mr. Ladd.

For Ernie's information, Bruno is

currently contemplating a return to the WWWF. The man has too much pride to be insulted in public by someone like Ladd, who uses the vile tactics of a bully.

But what of Backlund. Surely Ladd must want to wrestle the rusty-haired WWWF champion sometime in the future.

"Backlund is my dessert," Ladd said. "But Bruno is the main course."

-Allison Corey

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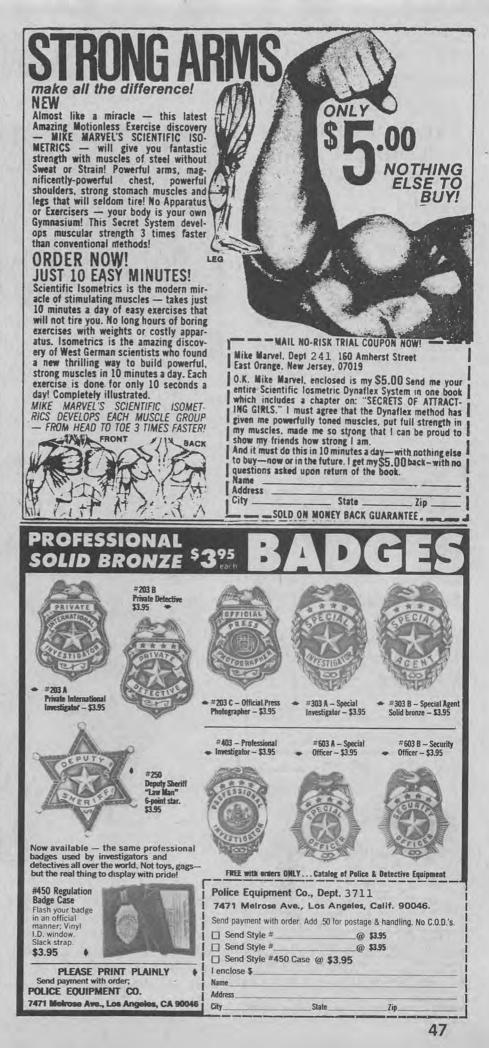
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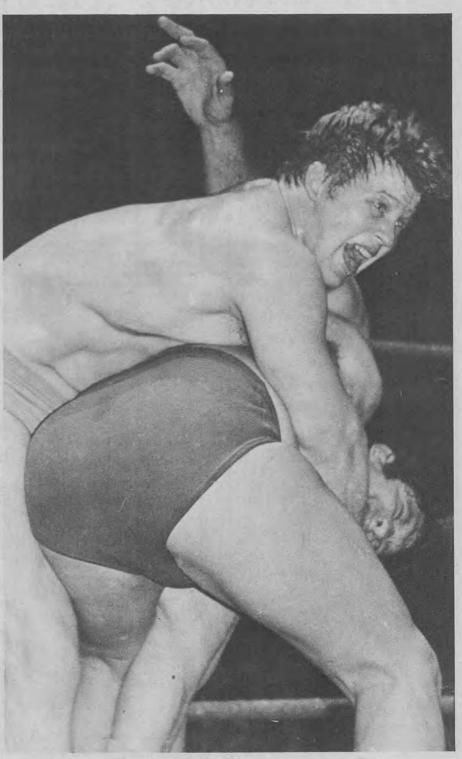
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The Inquiring Reporter

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Paul Kesselman, New York, New York: "From what I've seen, Bob Backlund is tops. He's young, wellbuilt and has a world of talent. I know he's only been champion a short while, but there's no one to compare with him."

Nancy Silver, Houston, Texas: "People are gonna talk about me for this. I don't care. Ric Flair. No wrestler is as good as Ric. Only reason he's not champ is because the puny bleeding-hearts are conspiring against him. Too bad



rulebreakers don't get the fair publicity they deserve. Ric is the greatest."

Randy Kane, Richmond, Virginia: "Andre the Giant. Look at his record. He's never lost. You can take all the braggarts and all the guys with their masks and their fancy maneuvers, and stuff 'em down the chute. You go on



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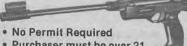
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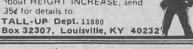


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Fans criticized us for judging Bob Backlund (above). Others were glad to see Nick Bockwinkle (below) learn a painful lesson from Angelo Mosca.



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WAHOO McDANIEL

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One man who has benefited from McDaniel's new position is old friend Dusty Rhodes.

"Dusty is always getting doubleteamed from some cowardly rulebreaker who jumps out of the crowd," Wahoo explained.

"They know that Dusty is a tough man to whip one-on-one, so

wrestling card. Rhodes was wrestling Bobby Duncum when a maniacal shriek punctured the crowd noises. Killer Karl Kox came barreling into the ring and side-swiped the startled Rhodes with a vicious thrust of the leg.

Under any other circumstances, this would have been a bloody



A few weeks before winning the title. Wahoo takes on Dory Funk Jr. (above). He goes berserk against Kox (below).

they plan that sort of sneak attack. Well, I knew that as chamion, if I'm sitting in the stands, one of those cheap artists might think twice about attacking Dusty.

"And if they do attack him, there I am to protect the Dream."

On one warm evening in Florida, just such an incident marred the





Wahoo's Mid-Atlantic brawls against Ric Flair (above) and Greg Valentine (below) have become known as classic battles.



repetition of villainous nights past. Not this time. Wahoo unleashed a terrifying war cry and jumped into the ring. Within minutes, McDaniel and Dusty threw the rulebreakers out of the arena.

"A night like this makes me feel great because I feel I've done some real good," McDaniel said. "To me, being a champ means more than wearing a belt. It means acting like a champion."







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STAN HANSEN

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dollars. Hansen stuffed the money into his trunks and with an arm on Anderson's shoulder. walked away from the fearfully beaten Rich.

"I think it was might nice of my good friend Ole to pay the fine for me," Hansen said. "All he wanted me to do was leave the good guys and rejoin my brothers in the rulebreaker world. I made the right choice. You didn't see any good guys offering to pay the fine, did you?"

True, the good guys didn't offer to pay Hansen's fine. They thought he should pay it. Now that



In previous years the matches between masked Mr. Wrestling II and Stan Hansen have been all out wars (above and below). They became friends, but now despise each other



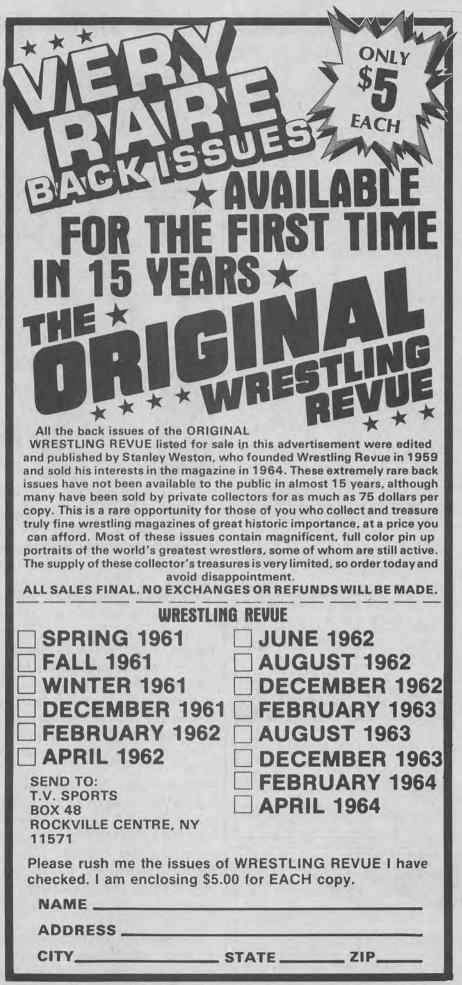


In Columbus, Georgia, II and Hansen as partners are interviewed (above). Hansen as a "good guy" against the hated Angelo "King Kong" Mosca (below).



Hansen's money problem has been resolved, the scientific wrestlers of Georgia feel they owe Stan Hansen something.

"Revenge," declared Mr. Wrestling II. "He made a fool out of all of us with his disgusting spectacle of greed and treachery. He'll pay for it. Let's see if Anderson comes to Hansen's rescue then."



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Above: Sheila digs her talon-like nails into the soft flesh of Liana's neck. Below: Liana tries to twist Sheila's head from her neck.

ready to wrestle. She spied the advertising executive and gave him a mock salute. Brian returned the greeting, trying to equal Sheila's sophisticated conceit. He didn't come close.

However, even Sheila registered emotion when Liana walked into the room. The three people stood there in amazement, shocked how their lives had brought them together at this moment. It took a second before the women realized the importance of the moment. Then, they thought of nothing

Neither girl had to be told what a facial injury would mean to the other. A broken nose would end any chance of the victim becoming the "Affair" girl. It wouldn't even have to look like an accident. The expression on each woman betrayed the bloodlust in the air.

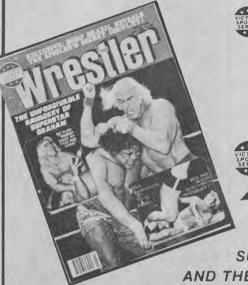
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The magnificent blonde has her raventressed opponent in very great agony.

penthouse the match was to take place.

"I don't know what's going on," he declared, "but I'm not going to permit a bloodbath. At the first sign of any ugliness, this match is over."

"I think I can help," Brian volunteered. "Let me just remind these ladies that the model will be chosen for her beauty and grace, not savagery Also, we could make an excellent campaign around our third choice."

Liana and Sheila didn't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows. Brian would be impressed by the way they moved, their grace under pressure. The agony and the ecstasy of their match would decide who would become the famous model. The loser would walk the long and winding road to oblivion.

Violence and injury would not be the answer. What the match

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must be is a sort of furious ballet, using the majesty of athletic prowess to impress and awe. Of course, if in the course of the battle a little agony was inflicted, all the better.

So warned, the two women stood before each other. Every muscle in their lush bodies tensed with anticipation. Liana slowly licked her lips in anticipation, and they glistened scarlet red. Sheila simply stood ramrod straight, exquisite in her aloof attraction.

The signal was given. The match began. Like warring



Liana lifts Sheila high in the air as she prepares to throw her hard to the carpeted floor.

empresses meeting for the first time, Liana and Sheila strutted toward each other. The smile on their faces spoke of cruel confidence; Liana's also had a touch of hysterical energy. Finally, they were no more than a foot apart, their silhouettes next to each other outlining two different but remarkable beauties. Then, they clashed.

The pair spun each around a few times, whirling from first (Continued on page 62)



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contact. They both stumbled away, neither affected by the momentary tussia Almost instantly, they rushed at each other again. This time, things began to happen.

Liana drove hard and fast at Sheila, wrapping her hands around the blonde's neck. Sheila grabbed wildly at Liana's halter, digging her nails into the brunette's back. Liana, spurred

hit hard into her foe's belly, doubling Liana over. Another kick, this time planned, sent the brunette reeling back. Sheila was up in a moment, ready to pounce.

Before anyone realized what happened, Sheila was astride her victim, looking like a cowboy riding a bucking bronco. The blonde wrapped her legs around her foe, digging her left knee into



What a magnificent study of two warring beauties this photograph is! Liana, now almost insane with bloodlust, tries to end the match by ending her lush blonde opponent's life. Note the intense look on Liana's face.

by pain, twisted wildly, all the Liana's breast. While the time retaining her grip. Sheila flailing wildly.

Sheila was lucky and Liana the ride. was unlucky. The blonde's heel Unable to stand the pain and

brunette heaved and grunted, toppled to the carpet, her legs Sheila held onto her hair like reins and thoroughly enjoyed

weight, Liana collapsed. It was the best thing she could have done. Sheila rolled to her right and came down crashing hard onto the carpet. The blonde's head thumped hard, making Sheila's brain reel.

Groggy, Sheila labored to regain her senses. Liana, enraged at the beating she had taken, forgot her vow of restraint. Her fury knew no bounds. With a cry of anger, she leaped upon her blonde victim. What follows took place in the space of less than a minute. It will remain implanted in the memory of spectators forever.

Liana grabbed Sheila's leg and vanked it as if it was a length of rope. The blonde's lush body snaked lifelessly like an uncoiled whip. Sheila's face snapped hard into the carpet. Scarlet stains seeped into the fabric as the victim bled slightly from the mouth.

It was a shocking sight, but the action was now crackling with the instantaneous electricity of lightning. Liana grabbed Sheila by her blonde locks and lifted the victim to her feet. Without hesitation. Liana smashed her fist into Sheila's body. The blonde collapsed like a marionette whose strings had been cut.

Two more blows to the belly followed. Then Liana allowed Sheila to fall only to kick her on the way down; the brunette's foot smacked into Sheila's left breast. The blonde jerked, rolled around in mid-air, and then came crashing down to the carpet.

Death seemed to glow from Liana's liquid-brown eyes; they sparkled with delight at her foe's agony. Someone might have stopped the match, but everyone was paralyzed with fascination. The speed with which all this happened made interference,

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Sheila smiles viciously as she stretches her brunette opponent's legs to very near the breaking point. This was perhaps the most violent confrontation in the annals of apartment wrestling.

even comprehension, impossible. It is comparable to viewing a bullfight; no matter what you felt beforehand, at the arena one never feels sorry for the bull.

But any reflection was impossible as Liana continued this awesome display of feminine brutality. Grabbing Sheila by the leg, Liana dragged her victim across the carpet, mercilessly burning Sheila's breasts, belly and thighs. Spasmodically jerking from her agony, Sheila was forced to endure this torture. Before releasing her victim, Liana raised her high and kicked, her

foot smashing into Sheila's neck. The grotesque moan of the blonde echoed throughout the apartment. No one heard, however, so rapt were they in subsequent events.

Liana was past all control, her mind long ago given way to the primitive instincts of the animal. A madness seemed to possess her as spittle ran unchecked down her chin and body. She leaped on her fallen foe, driven only by a lust to conquer.

No one can tell how Sheila managed to do what she did next. Perhaps she shared Liana's bloodlust. Whatever the

reason, as Liana came down on her, Sheila rolled away and managed to squirm into position. Before anyone knew what happened, the blonde's teeth were clamped on her tormentors thigh.

Liana let out a bloodcurdling scream as the fangs dug deep into her flesh. Her fists beat a tattoo on Sheila's head as she tried to force the death grip loose. But the blonde was now welded by hatred to her foe and no force on earth could loosen it.

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Finally, Sheila's jaw started to tremble and the jaws forced themselves open. Liana scurried away, blood dripping from the puncture marks on her thigh. Sheila collapsed from exhaustion.

Liana was rushed to a hospital, as human bites are more dangerous than animal bites. Sheila spent the night in the penthouse, her virtue protected by weariness. James Diamond wondered if his penthouse should ever again be the site for apartment wrestling. Two beautiful women had turned into killers. If this had been an alley instead of a penthouse, one of the girls would surely be near

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